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# Improving Risk Management Practices and Environmental Stewardship



Monday, March 19, 2007 8:30 a.m.— 4:30 p.m. & Tuesday, March 20, 2007 9:00 a.m.— 4:00 p.m.



## What is the Master Farmer Program?

### Introduction:

If you are a landowner or farmer looking to enhance farm management skills, improve your natural resources, and become more informed on beneficial farm and landownership programs in Tennessee, this program is for you.

The Master Farmer Program is designed to address environmental issues, conservation planning, risk management, and beginning farmer issues in Tennessee. Specialists representing Federal/State Agencies and Extension have come together to provide valuable information concerning, but not limited to, the following:

- 1. Preservation of natural resources (air, land, and water)
- 2. Equipping farmers/landowners with knowledge to incorporate Best Management Practices (BMPs)
- 3. Farm management and conservation planning

The Master Farmer Program was first established at Louisiana State University in 2001. Additional states including Mississippi, Arkansas and Texas have since adopted this program.

#### **AGENDA**

<u>Day One</u>	
8:30-9:00	Registration
9:00-9:15	Welcome and Introduction to Program
9:15-10:15	Overview of Agriculture Production in Tennessee
10:15-10:30	BREAK
10:30-12 noon	Farm Management and Planning
Noon-1:00	LUNCH
1:15-2:00	Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation
2:15-3:15	Marketing Strategies & Programs Through Center for Profitable Agriculture
3:15-3:30	BREAK
3:30-4:30	Farm Support Programs with Farm Service Agency (FSA)
Day Two	
9:00-10:30	Natural Resources Conservation Service Best Management Practices for Grazing Lands
10:30-10:45	BREAK
10:45-12 noon	Conservation Planning
Noon-1:00	LUNCH
1:00-2:00	Tennessee Dept. of Agriculture
	Tennessee Enhancement Programs
2:00-4:00	Farm Bill Programs - Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP), Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), Conservation Security Program (CSP), Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP)

### Registration

Master Farmer Program	Price
☐ Per person	\$50.00
☐ Per couple	\$65.00
☐ Each additional person per farm	\$5.00
	Total:
Name	
Address	
Phone	
Method of Payment	

Make Checks payable to: Tennessee State University

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\*Please RSVP by: March 2, 2007

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